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In the drawings:

Please replace Figures 1 through 14 of the PCT published application (12 sheets) with the substitute Figures 1 through 14 transmitted herewith (15 sheets). Figures 1 through 6 have been separated onto individual pages and Figure 13 has been separated into Figure 13A and Figure 13B.

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--FIG. 1 shows the 1276 base pair cDNA sequence of gene O1-180 (SEQ ID NO: 1).--

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